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**AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC SERVICE LICENSE  
ENDORSEMENTS, ACTIVITY VEHICLES, AND THE DEFINITIONS OF  
"CARRIER" AND "STUDENT TRANSPORTATION VEHICLE".**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 14-36a of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
3 *October 1, 2010*):

4 (c) A commercial driver's license or a class D license that contains  
5 [any] either of the following endorsements evidences that the holder  
6 meets the requirements of section 14-44:

7 "V"- authorizes the transportation of passengers in a student  
8 transportation vehicle, as defined in section 14-212, or any vehicle that  
9 requires an ["A" or] "F" endorsement; and

10 ["A"- authorizes the transportation of passengers in an activity  
11 vehicle, as defined in section 14-1, or any vehicle that requires an "F"  
12 endorsement; and]

13 "F"- authorizes the transportation of passengers in a taxicab, motor  
14 vehicle in livery service, service bus or motor bus.

15 The commissioner may establish one or more endorsements or  
16 restrictions on class D licenses, in accordance with regulations adopted

17 in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54.

18 Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 14-44 of the 2010 supplement to the  
19 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
20 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

21 (a) (1) No person shall operate a commercial motor vehicle used for  
22 passenger transportation on any public highway of this state until such  
23 person has obtained a commercial driver's license with a passenger  
24 endorsement from the commissioner, except a nonresident who holds  
25 such license with such endorsement issued by another state. (2) No  
26 person shall operate a school bus until such person has obtained a  
27 commercial driver's license with a school bus endorsement, except that  
28 a person who holds such a license without such endorsements may  
29 operate a school bus without passengers for the purpose of road  
30 testing or moving the vehicle. (3) No person shall operate a student  
31 transportation vehicle, as defined in section 14-212, [activity vehicle,]  
32 taxicab, motor vehicle in livery service, motor bus or service bus until  
33 such person has obtained an operator's license bearing an endorsement  
34 of the appropriate type from the commissioner issued in accordance  
35 with the provisions of this section and section 14-36a, except that a  
36 person who holds an operator's license without such endorsement may  
37 operate any such vehicle without passengers for the purpose of road  
38 testing or moving the vehicle. (4) No person shall operate a student  
39 transportation vehicle, as defined in section 14-212, [or activity vehicle]  
40 until such person has obtained an operator's license bearing an  
41 endorsement of the appropriate type from the commissioner issued in  
42 accordance with the provisions of this section and section 14-36a, as  
43 amended by this act.

44 Sec. 3. Section 14-212 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
45 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

46 Terms used in this chapter shall be construed as follows, unless  
47 another construction is clearly apparent from the language or context  
48 in which the term is used or unless the construction is inconsistent

49 with the manifest intention of the General Assembly:

50 (1) The following terms shall be construed as they are defined in  
51 section 14-1: "Authorized emergency vehicle", "commissioner",  
52 "driver", "fuels", "gross weight", "head lamp", "high-mileage vehicle",  
53 "highway", "light weight", "limited access highway", "maintenance  
54 vehicle", "motor bus", "motorcycle", "motor vehicle registration",  
55 "nonresident", "nonskid device", "number plate", "officer", "operator",  
56 "owner", "passenger motor vehicle", "passenger and commercial motor  
57 vehicle", "person", "pneumatic tires", "pole trailer", "registration",  
58 "registration number", "second offense", "semitrailer", "shoulder",  
59 "solid tires", "stop", "subsequent offense", "tail lamp", "tractor", "tractor-  
60 trailer unit", "trailer", "truck" and "vanpool vehicle";

61 (2) "Carrier" means (A) any local or regional school district, any  
62 educational institution providing elementary or secondary education  
63 or any person, firm or corporation under contract to such district or  
64 institution engaged in the business of transporting [school children;  
65 students, or (B) any person, firm or corporation [providing  
66 transportation for compensation exclusively to] engaged in the  
67 business of transporting primarily persons under the age of twenty-  
68 one years for compensation; [or (C) any corporation, institution or  
69 nonprofit organization providing transportation as an ancillary service  
70 primarily to persons under the age of eighteen years;]

71 (3) "Curb" includes the boundary of the traveled portion of any  
72 highway, whether or not the boundary is marked by a curbstone;

73 (4) "Intersection" means the area embraced within the prolongation  
74 of the lateral curb lines of two or more highways which join one  
75 another at an angle, whether or not one of the highways crosses the  
76 other;

77 (5) "Motor vehicle" includes all vehicles used on the public  
78 highways;

79 (6) "Parking area" means lots, areas or other accommodations for the

80 parking of motor vehicles off the street or highway and open to public  
81 use with or without charge;

82 (7) "Rotary" or "roundabout" means a physical barrier legally placed  
83 or constructed at an intersection to cause traffic to move in a circuitous  
84 course;

85 (8) "Student" means any person under the age of twenty-one years  
86 who is attending a preprimary, primary or secondary school program  
87 of education;

88 (9) "Student transportation vehicle" means any motor vehicle other  
89 than a registered school bus used by a carrier for the transportation of  
90 students [, including children requiring special education] to or from  
91 school, school programs or school sponsored events; and

92 (10) "Vehicle" [is synonymous with] has the same meaning as  
93 "motor vehicle".

94 Sec. 4. Section 14-1 of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes is  
95 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
96 *October 1, 2010*):

97 Terms used in this chapter shall be construed as follows, unless  
98 another construction is clearly apparent from the language or context  
99 in which the term is used or unless the construction is inconsistent  
100 with the manifest intention of the General Assembly:

101 [(1) "Activity vehicle" means a student transportation vehicle that is  
102 used to transport students in connection with school-sponsored events  
103 and activities, but is not used to transport students to and from  
104 school;]

105 [(2)] (1) "Agricultural tractor" means a tractor or other form of  
106 nonmuscular motive power used for transporting, hauling, plowing,  
107 cultivating, planting, harvesting, reaping or other agricultural  
108 purposes on any farm or other private property, or used for the  
109 purpose of transporting, from one farm to another, agricultural

110 implements and farm products, provided the agricultural tractor is not  
111 used on any highway for transporting a pay load or for some other  
112 commercial purpose;

113     [(3)] (2) "Antique, rare or special interest motor vehicle" means a  
114 motor vehicle twenty years old or older which is being preserved  
115 because of historic interest and which is not altered or modified from  
116 the original manufacturer's specifications;

117     [(4)] (3) "Apparent candle power" means an illumination equal to  
118 the normal illumination in foot candles produced by any lamp or  
119 lamps, divided by the square of the distance in feet between the lamp  
120 or lamps and the point at which the measurement is made;

121     [(5)] (4) "Authorized emergency vehicle" means (A) a fire  
122 department vehicle, (B) a police vehicle, or (C) a public service  
123 company or municipal department ambulance or emergency vehicle  
124 designated or authorized for use as an authorized emergency vehicle  
125 by the commissioner;

126     [(6)] (5) "Auxiliary driving lamp" means an additional lighting  
127 device on a motor vehicle used primarily to supplement the general  
128 illumination in front of a motor vehicle provided by the motor  
129 vehicle's head lamps;

130     [(7)] (6) "Bulb" means a light source consisting of a glass bulb  
131 containing a filament or substance capable of being electrically  
132 maintained at incandescence;

133     [(8)] (7) "Camp trailer" includes any trailer designed for living or  
134 sleeping purposes and used exclusively for camping or recreational  
135 purposes;

136     [(9)] (8) "Camp trailer registration" means the type of registration  
137 issued to any trailer that is for nonbusiness use and is limited to camp  
138 trailers and utility trailers;

139     [(10)] (9) "Camp vehicle" means any motor vehicle that is regularly

140 used to transport persons under eighteen years of age in connection  
141 with the activities of any youth camp, as defined in section 19a-420;

142 [(11)] (10) "Camper" means any motor vehicle designed or  
143 permanently altered in such a way as to provide temporary living  
144 quarters for travel, camping or recreational purposes;

145 [(12)] (11) "Combination registration" means the type of registration  
146 issued to a motor vehicle used for both private passenger and  
147 commercial purposes if such vehicle does not have a gross vehicle  
148 weight rating in excess of twelve thousand five hundred pounds;

149 [(13)] (12) "Commercial driver's license" or "CDL" means a license  
150 issued to an individual in accordance with the provisions of sections  
151 14-44a to 14-44m, inclusive, which authorizes such individual to drive  
152 a commercial motor vehicle;

153 [(14)] (13) "Commercial driver's license information system" or  
154 "CDLIS" means the national database of holders of commercial driver's  
155 licenses established by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety  
156 Administration pursuant to Section 12007 of the Commercial Motor  
157 Vehicle Safety Act of 1986;

158 [(15)] (14) "Commercial motor vehicle" means a vehicle designed or  
159 used to transport passengers or property, except a vehicle used for  
160 farming purposes in accordance with 49 CFR 383.3(d), fire fighting  
161 apparatus or an emergency vehicle, as defined in section 14-283, or a  
162 recreational vehicle in private use, which (A) has a gross vehicle  
163 weight rating of twenty-six thousand and one pounds or more, or a  
164 gross combination weight rating of twenty-six thousand and one  
165 pounds or more, inclusive of a towed unit or units with a gross vehicle  
166 weight rating of more than ten thousand pounds; (B) is designed to  
167 transport sixteen or more passengers, including the driver, or is  
168 designed to transport more than ten passengers, including the driver,  
169 and is used to transport students under the age of twenty-one years to  
170 and from school; or (C) is transporting hazardous materials and is  
171 required to be placarded in accordance with 49 CFR 172, Subpart F, as

172 amended, or any quantity of a material listed as a select agent or toxin  
173 in 42 CFR Part 73;

174 [(16)] (15) "Commercial registration" means the type of registration  
175 required for any motor vehicle designed or used to transport  
176 merchandise, freight or persons in connection with any business  
177 enterprise, unless a more specific type of registration is authorized and  
178 issued by the commissioner for such class of vehicle;

179 [(17)] (16) "Commercial trailer" means a trailer used in the conduct  
180 of a business to transport freight, materials or equipment whether or  
181 not permanently affixed to the bed of the trailer;

182 [(18)] (17) "Commercial trailer registration" means the type of  
183 registration issued to any commercial trailer;

184 [(19)] (18) "Commissioner" includes the Commissioner of Motor  
185 Vehicles and any assistant to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles who  
186 is designated and authorized by, and who is acting for, the  
187 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles under a designation; except that the  
188 deputy commissioners of motor vehicles and the Attorney General are  
189 deemed, unless the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles otherwise  
190 provides, to be designated and authorized by, and acting for, the  
191 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles under a designation;

192 [(20)] (19) "Controlled substance" has the same meaning as in section  
193 21a-240 and the federal laws and regulations incorporated in chapter  
194 420b;

195 [(21)] (20) "Conviction" means an unvacated adjudication of guilt, or  
196 a determination that a person has violated or failed to comply with the  
197 law in a court of original jurisdiction or an authorized administrative  
198 tribunal, an unvacated forfeiture of bail or collateral deposited to  
199 secure the person's appearance in court, the payment of a fine or court  
200 cost, or violation of a condition of release without bail, regardless of  
201 whether or not the penalty is rebated, suspended or probated;

202        [(22)] (21) "Dealer" includes any person actively engaged in buying,  
203        selling or exchanging motor vehicles or trailers who has an established  
204        place of business in this state and who may, incidental to such  
205        business, repair motor vehicles or trailers, or cause them to be repaired  
206        by persons in his or her employ;

207        [(23)] (22) "Disqualification" means a withdrawal of the privilege to  
208        drive a commercial motor vehicle, which occurs as a result of (A) any  
209        suspension, revocation, or cancellation by the commissioner of the  
210        privilege to operate a motor vehicle; (B) a determination by the Federal  
211        Highway Administration, under the rules of practice for motor carrier  
212        safety contained in 49 CFR 386, as amended, that a person is no longer  
213        qualified to operate a commercial motor vehicle under the standards of  
214        49 CFR 391, as amended; or (C) the loss of qualification which follows  
215        any of the convictions or administrative actions specified in section 14-  
216        44k;

217        [(24)] (23) "Drive" means to drive, operate or be in physical control  
218        of a motor vehicle, including a motor vehicle being towed by another;

219        [(25)] (24) "Driver" means any person who drives, operates or is in  
220        physical control of a commercial motor vehicle, or who is required to  
221        hold a commercial driver's license;

222        [(26)] (25) "Driver's license" or "operator's license" means a valid  
223        Connecticut motor vehicle operator's license or a license issued by  
224        another state or foreign jurisdiction authorizing the holder thereof to  
225        operate a motor vehicle on the highways;

226        [(27)] (26) "Employee" means any operator of a commercial motor  
227        vehicle, including full-time, regularly employed drivers, casual,  
228        intermittent or occasional drivers, drivers under contract and  
229        independent owner-operator contractors, who, while in the course of  
230        operating a commercial motor vehicle, are either directly employed by,  
231        or are under contract to, an employer;

232        [(28)] (27) "Employer" means any person, including the United



233 States, a state or any political subdivision thereof, who owns or leases  
234 a commercial motor vehicle, or assigns a person to drive a commercial  
235 motor vehicle;

236 [(29)] (28) "Farm implement" means a vehicle designed and adapted  
237 exclusively for agricultural, horticultural or livestock-raising  
238 operations and which is not operated on a highway for transporting a  
239 pay load or for any other commercial purpose;

240 [(30)] (29) "Felony" means any offense as defined in section 53a-25  
241 and includes any offense designated as a felony under federal law;

242 [(31)] (30) "Fatality" means the death of a person as a result of a  
243 motor vehicle accident;

244 [(32)] (31) "Foreign jurisdiction" means any jurisdiction other than a  
245 state of the United States;

246 [(33)] (32) "Fuels" means (A) all products commonly or  
247 commercially known or sold as gasoline, including casinghead and  
248 absorption or natural gasoline, regardless of their classification or uses,  
249 (B) any liquid prepared, advertised, offered for sale or sold for use, or  
250 commonly and commercially used, as a fuel in internal combustion  
251 engines, which, when subjected to distillation in accordance with the  
252 standard method of test for distillation of gasoline, naphtha, kerosene  
253 and similar petroleum products by "American Society for Testing  
254 Materials Method D-86", shows not less than ten per cent distilled  
255 (recovered) below 347° Fahrenheit (175° Centigrade) and not less than  
256 ninety-five per cent distilled (recovered) below 464° Fahrenheit (240°  
257 Centigrade); provided the term "fuels" shall not include commercial  
258 solvents or naphthas which distill, by "American Society for Testing  
259 Materials Method D-86", not more than nine per cent at 176°  
260 Fahrenheit and which have a distillation range of 150° Fahrenheit, or  
261 less, or liquefied gases which would not exist as liquids at a  
262 temperature of 60° Fahrenheit and a pressure of 14.7 pounds per  
263 square inch absolute, and (C) any liquid commonly referred to as  
264 "gasohol" which is prepared, advertised, offered for sale or sold for

265 use, or commonly and commercially used, as a fuel in internal  
266 combustion engines, consisting of a blend of gasoline and a minimum  
267 of ten per cent by volume of ethyl or methyl alcohol;

268 [(34)] (33) "Garage" includes every place of business where motor  
269 vehicles are, for compensation, received for housing, storage or repair;

270 [(35)] (34) "Gross vehicle weight rating" or "GVWR" means the value  
271 specified by the manufacturer as the maximum loaded weight of a  
272 single or a combination (articulated) vehicle. The GVWR of a  
273 combination (articulated) vehicle commonly referred to as the "gross  
274 combination weight rating" or GCWR is the GVWR of the power unit  
275 plus the GVWR of the towed unit or units;

276 [(36)] (35) "Gross weight" means the light weight of a vehicle plus  
277 the weight of any load on the vehicle, provided, in the case of a tractor-  
278 trailer unit, "gross weight" means the light weight of the tractor plus  
279 the light weight of the trailer or semitrailer plus the weight of the load  
280 on the vehicle;

281 [(37)] (36) "Hazardous materials" has the same meaning as in 49 CFR  
282 383.5;

283 [(38)] (37) "Head lamp" means a lighting device affixed to the front  
284 of a motor vehicle projecting a high intensity beam which lights the  
285 road in front of the vehicle so that it can proceed safely during the  
286 hours of darkness;

287 [(39)] (38) "High-mileage vehicle" means a motor vehicle having the  
288 following characteristics: (A) Not less than three wheels in contact with  
289 the ground; (B) a completely enclosed seat on which the driver sits; (C)  
290 a single or two cylinder, gasoline or diesel engine or an electric-  
291 powered engine; and (D) efficient fuel consumption;

292 [(40)] (39) "Highway" includes any state or other public highway,  
293 road, street, avenue, alley, driveway, parkway or place, under the  
294 control of the state or any political subdivision of the state, dedicated,

295 appropriated or opened to public travel or other use;

296       [(41)] (40) "Imminent hazard" means the existence of a condition that  
297 presents a substantial likelihood that death, serious illness, severe  
298 personal injury or a substantial endangerment to health, property, or  
299 the environment may occur before the reasonably foreseeable  
300 completion date of a formal proceeding begun to lessen the risk of that  
301 death, illness, injury or endangerment;

302       [(42)] (41) "Intersecting highway" includes any public highway  
303 which joins another at an angle whether or not it crosses the other;

304       [(43)] (42) "Light weight" means the weight of an unloaded motor  
305 vehicle as ordinarily equipped and ready for use, exclusive of the  
306 weight of the operator of the motor vehicle;

307       [(44)] (43) "Limited access highway" means a state highway so  
308 designated under the provisions of section 13b-27;

309       [(45)] (44) "Local authorities" includes the board of aldermen,  
310 common council, chief of police, warden and burgesses, board of  
311 selectmen or other officials having authority for the enactment or  
312 enforcement of traffic regulations within their respective towns, cities  
313 or boroughs;

314       [(46)] (45) "Maintenance vehicle" means any vehicle in use by the  
315 state or by any town, city, borough or district, any state bridge or  
316 parkway authority or any public service company, as defined in  
317 section 16-1, in the maintenance of public highways or bridges and  
318 facilities located within the limits of public highways or bridges;

319       [(47)] (46) "Manufacturer" means (A) a person, whether a resident or  
320 nonresident, engaged in the business of constructing or assembling  
321 new motor vehicles of a type required to be registered by the  
322 commissioner, for operation upon any highway, except a utility trailer,  
323 which are offered for sale in this state, or (B) a person who distributes  
324 new motor vehicles to new car dealers licensed in this state;

325        [(48)] (47) "Median divider" means an intervening space or physical  
326 barrier or clearly indicated dividing section separating traffic lanes  
327 provided for vehicles proceeding in opposite directions;

328        [(49)] (48) "Modified antique motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle  
329 twenty years old or older which has been modified for safe road use,  
330 including, but not limited to, modifications to the drive train,  
331 suspension, braking system and safety or comfort apparatus;

332        [(50)] (49) "Motor bus" includes any motor vehicle, except a taxicab,  
333 as defined in section 13b-95, operated in whole or in part on any street  
334 or highway in a manner affording a means of transportation by  
335 indiscriminately receiving or discharging passengers, or running on a  
336 regular route or over any portion of a regular route or between fixed  
337 termini;

338        [(51)] (50) "Motor home" means a vehicular unit designed to provide  
339 living quarters and necessary amenities which are built into an integral  
340 part of, or permanently attached to, a truck or van chassis;

341        [(52)] (51) "Motor-driven cycle" means any motorcycle, motor  
342 scooter, or bicycle with attached motor with a seat height of not less  
343 than twenty-six inches and a motor that produces five brake  
344 horsepower or less;

345        [(53)] (52) "Motor vehicle" means any vehicle propelled or drawn by  
346 any nonmuscular power, except aircraft, motor boats, road rollers,  
347 baggage trucks used about railroad stations or other mass transit  
348 facilities, electric battery-operated wheel chairs when operated by  
349 physically handicapped persons at speeds not exceeding fifteen miles  
350 per hour, golf carts operated on highways solely for the purpose of  
351 crossing from one part of the golf course to another, golf-cart-type  
352 vehicles operated on roads or highways on the grounds of state  
353 institutions by state employees, agricultural tractors, farm implements,  
354 such vehicles as run only on rails or tracks, self-propelled snow plows,  
355 snow blowers and lawn mowers, when used for the purposes for  
356 which they were designed and operated at speeds not exceeding four

357 miles per hour, whether or not the operator rides on or walks behind  
358 such equipment, motor-driven cycles as defined in section 14-286,  
359 special mobile equipment as defined in subsection (i) of section 14-165,  
360 mini-motorcycles, as defined in section 14-289j, and any other vehicle  
361 not suitable for operation on a highway;

362 [(54)] (53) "Motorcycle" means a motor vehicle, with or without a  
363 side car, having not more than three wheels in contact with the ground  
364 and a saddle or seat on which the rider sits or a platform on which the  
365 rider stands, but does not include a motor-driven cycle, as defined in  
366 this section, or a vehicle having or designed to have a completely  
367 enclosed driver's seat and a motor which is not in the enclosed area;

368 [(55)] (54) "National Driver Registry" or "NDR" means the licensing  
369 information system and database operated by the National Highway  
370 Traffic Safety Administration and established pursuant to the National  
371 Driver Registry Act of 1982, as amended;

372 [(56)] (55) "New motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle, the equitable  
373 or legal title to which has never been transferred by a manufacturer,  
374 distributor or dealer to an ultimate consumer;

375 [(57)] (56) "Nonresident" means any person whose legal residence is  
376 in a state other than Connecticut or in a foreign country;

377 [(58)] (57) "Nonresident commercial driver's license" or "nonresident  
378 CDL" means a commercial driver's license issued by a state to an  
379 individual who resides in a foreign jurisdiction;

380 [(59)] (58) "Nonskid device" means any device applied to the tires,  
381 wheels, axles or frame of a motor vehicle for the purpose of increasing  
382 the traction of the motor vehicle;

383 [(60)] (59) "Number plate" means any sign or marker furnished by  
384 the commissioner on which is displayed the registration number  
385 assigned to a motor vehicle by the commissioner;

386 [(61)] (60) "Officer" includes any constable, state marshal, inspector

387 of motor vehicles, state policeman or other official authorized to make  
388 arrests or to serve process, provided the officer is in uniform or  
389 displays the officer's badge of office in a conspicuous place when  
390 making an arrest;

391     ~~[(62)]~~ (61) "Operator" means any person who operates a motor  
392 vehicle or who steers or directs the course of a motor vehicle being  
393 towed by another motor vehicle and includes a driver as defined in  
394 subdivision ~~[(25)]~~ (24) of this section;

395     ~~[(63)]~~ (62) "Out-of-service order" means an order (A) issued by a  
396 police officer, state policeman, or motor vehicle inspector under the  
397 authority of section 14-8, or by an authorized official of the United  
398 States Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration pursuant to any  
399 provision of federal law, to prohibit a commercial motor vehicle from  
400 being operated on any highway, or to prohibit a driver from operating  
401 a commercial motor vehicle, or (B) issued by the Federal Motor Carrier  
402 Safety Administration, pursuant to any provision of federal law, to  
403 prohibit any motor carrier, as defined in Section 386.2 of Title 49 of the  
404 Code of Federal Regulations, from engaging in commercial motor  
405 vehicle operations;

406     ~~[(64)]~~ (63) "Owner" means any person holding title to a motor  
407 vehicle, or having the legal right to register the same, including  
408 purchasers under conditional bills of sale;

409     ~~[(65)]~~ (64) "Parked vehicle" means a motor vehicle in a stationary  
410 position within the limits of a public highway;

411     ~~[(66)]~~ (65) "Passenger and commercial motor vehicle" means a motor  
412 vehicle used for private passenger and commercial purposes which is  
413 eligible for combination registration;

414     ~~[(67)]~~ (66) "Passenger motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle used for  
415 the private transportation of persons and their personal belongings,  
416 designed to carry occupants in comfort and safety, with a capacity of  
417 carrying not more than ten passengers including the operator thereof;

418       [(68)] (67) "Passenger registration" means the type of registration  
419 issued to a passenger motor vehicle unless a more specific type of  
420 registration is authorized and issued by the commissioner for such  
421 class of vehicle;

422       [(69)] (68) "Person" includes any individual, corporation, limited  
423 liability company, association, copartnership, company, firm, business  
424 trust or other aggregation of individuals but does not include the state  
425 or any political subdivision thereof, unless the context clearly states or  
426 requires;

427       [(70)] (69) "Pick-up truck" means a motor vehicle with an enclosed  
428 forward passenger compartment and an open rearward compartment  
429 used for the transportation of property;

430       [(71)] (70) "Pneumatic tires" means tires inflated or inflatable with  
431 air;

432       [(72)] (71) "Pole trailer" means a trailer which is (A) intended for  
433 transporting long or irregularly shaped loads such as poles, logs, pipes  
434 or structural members, which loads are capable of sustaining  
435 themselves as beams between supporting connections, and (B)  
436 designed to be drawn by a motor vehicle and attached or secured  
437 directly to the motor vehicle by any means including a reach, pole or  
438 boom;

439       [(73)] (72) "Recreational vehicle" includes the camper, camp trailer  
440 and motor home classes of vehicles;

441       [(74)] (73) "Registration" includes the certificate of motor vehicle  
442 registration and the number plate or plates used in connection with  
443 such registration;

444       [(75)] (74) "Registration number" means the identifying number or  
445 letters, or both, assigned by the commissioner to a motor vehicle;

446       [(76)] (75) "Resident", for the purpose of registering motor vehicles,  
447 includes any person who is a legal resident of this state, as the

448 commissioner may presume from the fact that such person occupies a  
449 place of dwelling in this state for more than six months in a year, or  
450 any person, firm or corporation owning or leasing a motor vehicle  
451 used or operated in intrastate business in this state, or a firm or  
452 corporation having its principal office or place of business in this state;

453     ~~[(77)]~~ (76) "School bus" means any school bus, as defined in section  
454 14-275, including a commercial motor vehicle used to transport  
455 preschool, elementary school or secondary school students from home  
456 to school, from school to home, or to and from school-sponsored  
457 events, but does not include a bus used as a common carrier;

458     ~~[(78)]~~ (77) "Second" violation or "subsequent" violation means an  
459 offense committed not more than three years after the date of an arrest  
460 which resulted in a previous conviction for a violation of the same  
461 statutory provision, except in the case of a violation of section 14-215  
462 or 14-224 or subsection (a) of section 14-227a, "second" violation or  
463 "subsequent" violation means an offense committed not more than ten  
464 years after the date of an arrest which resulted in a previous conviction  
465 for a violation of the same statutory provision;

466     ~~[(79)]~~ (78) "Semitrailer" means any trailer type vehicle designed and  
467 used in conjunction with a motor vehicle so that some part of its own  
468 weight and load rests on or is carried by another vehicle;

469     ~~[(80)]~~ (79) "Serious traffic violation" means a conviction of any of the  
470 following offenses: (A) Excessive speeding, involving a single offense  
471 in which the speed is fifteen miles per hour or more above the posted  
472 speed limit, in violation of section 14-218a or 14-219; (B) reckless  
473 driving in violation of section 14-222; (C) following too closely in  
474 violation of section 14-240 or 14-240a; (D) improper or erratic lane  
475 changes, in violation of section 14-236; (E) driving a commercial motor  
476 vehicle without a valid commercial driver's license in violation of  
477 section 14-36a or 14-44a; (F) failure to carry a commercial driver's  
478 license in violation of section 14-44a; (G) failure to have the proper  
479 class of license or endorsement, or violation of a license restriction in



480 violation of section 14-44a; or (H) arising in connection with an  
481 accident related to the operation of a commercial motor vehicle and  
482 which resulted in a fatality;

483     ~~[(81)]~~ (80) "Service bus" includes any vehicle except a vanpool  
484 vehicle or a school bus designed and regularly used to carry ten or  
485 more passengers when used in private service for the transportation of  
486 persons without charge to the individual;

487     ~~[(82)]~~ (81) "Service car" means any motor vehicle used by a  
488 manufacturer, dealer or repairer for emergency motor vehicle repairs  
489 on the highways of this state, for towing or for the transportation of  
490 necessary persons, tools and materials to and from the scene of such  
491 emergency repairs or towing;

492     ~~[(83)]~~ (82) "Shoulder" means that portion of a highway immediately  
493 adjacent and contiguous to the travel lanes or main traveled portion of  
494 the roadway;

495     ~~[(84)]~~ (83) "Solid tires" means tires of rubber, or other elastic material  
496 approved by the Commissioner of Transportation, which do not  
497 depend on confined air for the support of the load;

498     ~~[(85)]~~ (84) "Spot lamp" or "spot light" means a lighting device  
499 projecting a high intensity beam, the direction of which can be readily  
500 controlled for special or emergency lighting as distinguished from  
501 ordinary road illumination;

502     ~~[(86)]~~ (85) "State" means any state of the United States and the  
503 District of Columbia unless the context indicates a more specific  
504 reference to the state of Connecticut;

505     ~~[(87)]~~ (86) "Stop" means complete cessation of movement;

506     ~~[(88)]~~ (87) "Student" means any person under the age of twenty-one  
507 years who is attending a preprimary, primary or secondary school  
508 program of education;

509       [(89)] (88) "Tail lamp" means a lighting device affixed to the rear of a  
510 motor vehicle showing a red light to the rear and indicating the  
511 presence of the motor vehicle when viewed from behind;

512       [(90)] (89) "Tank vehicle" means any commercial motor vehicle  
513 designed to transport any liquid or gaseous material within a tank that  
514 is either permanently or temporarily attached to the vehicle or its  
515 chassis which shall include, but not be limited to, a cargo tank and  
516 portable tank, as defined in 49 CFR 383.5, as amended, provided it  
517 shall not include a portable tank with a rated capacity not to exceed  
518 one thousand gallons;

519       [(91)] (90) "Tractor" or "truck tractor" means a motor vehicle  
520 designed and used for drawing a semitrailer;

521       [(92)] (91) "Tractor-trailer unit" means a combination of a tractor and  
522 a trailer or a combination of a tractor and a semitrailer;

523       [(93)] (92) "Trailer" means any rubber-tired vehicle without motive  
524 power drawn or propelled by a motor vehicle;

525       [(94)] (93) "Truck" means a motor vehicle designed, used or  
526 maintained primarily for the transportation of property;

527       [(95)] (94) "Ultimate consumer" means, with respect to a motor  
528 vehicle, the first person, other than a dealer, who in good faith  
529 purchases the motor vehicle for purposes other than resale;

530       [(96)] (95) "United States" means the fifty states and the District of  
531 Columbia;

532       [(97)] (96) "Used motor vehicle" includes any motor vehicle which  
533 has been previously separately registered by an ultimate consumer;

534       [(98)] (97) "Utility trailer" means a trailer designed and used to  
535 transport personal property, materials or equipment, whether or not  
536 permanently affixed to the bed of the trailer;

537       [(99)] (98) "Vanpool vehicle" includes all motor vehicles, the primary  
538 purpose of which is the daily transportation, on a prearranged  
539 nonprofit basis, of individuals between home and work, and which:  
540 (A) If owned by or leased to a person, or to an employee of the person,  
541 or to an employee of a local, state or federal government unit or agency  
542 located in Connecticut, are manufactured and equipped in such  
543 manner as to provide a seating capacity of at least seven but not more  
544 than fifteen individuals, or (B) if owned by or leased to a regional ride-  
545 sharing organization in the state recognized by the Commissioner of  
546 Transportation, are manufactured and equipped in such manner as to  
547 provide a seating capacity of at least six but not more than nineteen  
548 individuals;

549       [(100)] (99) "Vehicle" includes any device suitable for the  
550 conveyance, drawing or other transportation of persons or property,  
551 whether operated on wheels, runners, a cushion of air or by any other  
552 means. The term does not include devices propelled or drawn by  
553 human power or devices used exclusively on tracks;

554       [(101)] (100) "Vehicle identification number" or "VIN" means a series  
555 of Arabic numbers and Roman letters that is assigned to each new  
556 motor vehicle that is manufactured within or imported into the United  
557 States, in accordance with the provisions of 49 CFR 565, unless another  
558 sequence of numbers and letters has been assigned to a motor vehicle  
559 by the commissioner, in accordance with the provisions of section 14-  
560 149;

561       [(102)] (101) "Wrecker" means a vehicle which is registered,  
562 designed, equipped and used for the purposes of towing or  
563 transporting wrecked or disabled motor vehicles for compensation or  
564 for related purposes by a person, firm or corporation licensed in  
565 accordance with the provisions of subpart (D) of part III of this chapter  
566 or a vehicle contracted for the consensual towing or transporting of  
567 one or more motor vehicles to or from a place of sale, purchase,  
568 salvage or repair.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2010</i>	14-36a(c)
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2010</i>	14-44(a)
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2010</i>	14-212
Sec. 4	<i>October 1, 2010</i>	14-1

***Statement of Legislative Commissioners:***

In the second paragraph of section 1(c), the reference to "A" endorsement was bracketed for consistency with the third paragraph.

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